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SUBJECT: CYPRUS FULBRIGHT PROGRAM

REF: A. NICOSIA 745; B. NICOSIA 715

1. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT TURKISH CYPRIOT AS WELL AS GREEK CYPRIOT PARTICIPATION IN FULBRIGHT PROGRAM IS ESSENTIAL AND, WITH THIS IN MIND, IS CONTINUING TO EXAMINE EMBASSY PROPOSAL FOR HAVING TRI-NATIONAL ACTIVITIES OF FULBRIGHT COMMISSION ON CYPRUS CARRIED OUT AT LEDRA PALACE HOTEL. WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR YOU TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE IN YOUR FORTHCOMING MEETING WITH DENKTASH AND TO SOLICIT HIS VIEWS ON HOW PARTICIPATION OF BOTH COMMUNITIES CAN BE PRESERVED. YOU MAY MENTION LEDRA PALACE PROPOSAL AS ONE POSSIBLE APPROACH TO THE PROBLEM BUT SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT LEAVE IMPRESSION THIS OUR FINAL DECISION OR EVEN OUR PREFERRED APPROACH, AS WE DO NOT WANT TO MAKE ANY DECISIONS ON THIS MATTER UNTIL WE HAVE SOME REACTION FROM DENKTASH.

2. IF DENKTASH AGREEABLE TO LEDRA PALACE PROCEDURE, WE WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO PROCEEDING ALONG THESE LINES. IF HE DOES NOT, OUR CURRENT THINKING IS THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER TO TRY TO DEVISE SOME KIND OF AD HOC APPROACH SHORT OF A COMPLETELY SEPARATE TURKISH CYPRIOT FULBRIGHT COMPETI-
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